



## **ATTACHMENT B**

### **Amendments to the Specification**

**Please replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 14-26 with the following amended paragraph:**

One such insertion instrument is known for instance from ~~European Patent Disclosure EP 0 471 821 B1~~ U.S. Patent No. 5,314,477. The insertion instrument is embodied in the manner of tongs and can also be used, after the insertion of the upper and lower parts of the intervertebral implant, to move the two vertebrae apart to gain space for introducing the pivot element. In the known instrument, this pivot element must be introduced into the space between the upper and lower parts of the intervertebral implant by using other instruments. This is a difficult process in which there is the risk that the pivot element will be introduced tilted relative to the other two parts of the implant and will thus be damaged.

**Please replace the paragraph at page 1, line 28 through page 2, line 2 with the following amended paragraph:**

For inserting complete intervertebral implants, it is also known to move them along a longitudinal guide as far as the implant point and then to feed them out of the guide into the intervertebral space (~~German Patent Disclosure DE 43 28 690~~) (U.S. Patent No. 5,571,109). Such an instrument is suitable only for inserting complete intervertebral implants; moreover, the problem arises of an accurate adjustment of this guide relative to the intervertebral space: if there are maladjustments, the intervertebral implant could be inserted skewed, which can cause injuries.